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44.9-30.0	12 p.m.
Friday	
29.9-15.0	8 a.m.
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Seniors & Grad
Students registered
yesterday.

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Celebrating. Diversity

International flags fly over UTM
to highlight campus diversity

Elaine Wilson
Staff Columnist

This past Thursday night on the north patio outside of the UC, UTM hosted its first International Flag Ceremony, capping a weeklong series of events promoting Diversity Week. Sponsored by the Student Activities Council, the Student Government Association and the Office of Minority Affairs, this year's theme was "Seeing Ourselves in Each Other." The purpose of Diversity Week and the flag ceremony was to celebrate and foster cultural growth and diversity on campus and awareness of the concerns of international students within the community.

Activities held during the week allowed students to pull together and learn about different cultures on campus, and to become more aware of who they are and where they come from.

About 30 flags were purchased to represent each country of the international students at UTM, although two flags, those of Honduras and Uzbekistan were overlooked. Promises were made to purchase those flags very soon.

James Orr, president of the Student Government Association, opened the ceremony by welcoming every-

one and introducing Dr. Nick Dunagan, chancellor of UTM.

Dunagan thanked those involved for their hard work and also welcomed everyone present, thanking them for taking the time to acknowledge the importance of diversity.

Acknowledging that not all people are willing to be open to those individuals different from themselves, he challenged everyone to learn from our differences and consider the position of others when making decisions. "Why don't we all make an attempt to try and understand others? We are not perfect at UTM, but we really make an attempt here. But day in and day out we have to continue to work on it."

A photograph that was taken of all in attendance surrounding the flags, along with the flags themselves, will be displayed inside the University Center for visitors and future generations to enjoy.



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Fall 2005 Student
Enrollment by Race

Undergraduate	#	%
African-American	877	14.8
White	4,829	81.3
Asian	26	0.4
Am. Indian	20	0.3
Alaskan	8	0.1
Hispanic	56	0.9
Non-Resident Alien	126	2.1

Graduate	#	%
African-American	59	10.9
White	425	78.4
Asian	3	0.6
Am. Indian	4	0.7
Alaskan	0	0.0
Hispanic	3	0.6
Non-Resident Alien	48	8.9

Source: UTM Department of
Institutional Research

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— Chancellor Nick Dunagan

Academic Speaker



University Relations

Following the presentation, McPherson signed his book for Kortni Brewer of Martin, a UTM student.

Speaker gives talk on war, peace

Staff Reports

James McPherson, Edwards Professor of American History at Princeton University and author of several books including *Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era*, which he won the Pulitzer Prize for, gave UTM students a history lesson straight from his book Monday, Nov. 7.

With many students and faculty members in attendance, McPherson described the title of his book and the relativity of the Civil War to American life today.

The title of the book refers and explains the Northern and Southern views of the Nineteenth Century conflict. The Southern states seceded in freedom of self-determination and self-government for which they stood on in 1776, according to McPherson. The Northerners stood in

defense of the Union.

McPherson's theme was "When Will This Cruel War Be Over? The Failure of Peace Negotiations, 1864-1865." McPherson said that several attempts to end the war broke down before the eventual surrender of the Confederate States to the Union at Appomattox.

"Even though the war resolved the issues of Union and slavery, it didn't entirely resolve the issues that underlay those two questions," McPherson told reporter Amy Lifson. "These issues are still important in American society today: regionalism, resentment of centralized government, debates about how powerful the national government ought to be and what role it ought to play in

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UTM awarded grant for math, sciences

Jay Baker
Entertainment Writer

UTM will receive a \$690,000 grant to benefit math and science instruction in local schools over the next three years.

The award is part of a \$450 million nationwide competitive grant program that partners UTM with Dyersburg, Humboldt, Lexington and Union City Schools as well as Hardin County Schools.

The grant money will be used to implement Project IMPACT (Immersion in Mathematics Pedagogy, Application, Content and Technology), a program designed to "strengthen the knowledge base of middle school mathematics teachers in West Tennessee, help these teachers incorporate technology into the classroom, and create a network of experienced teachers who can share their innova-

tive ideas with other teachers throughout West Tennessee," said Dr. Stephanie Kolitsch, UTM Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics.

Kolitsch believes that the combination of technology, engineering applications and teachers' creativity will help make middle school classrooms more exciting.

"Middle school students will reap the ultimate rewards of this project," said Kolitsch.

Dr. Mary Lee Hall, dean of the UT Martin College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, is excited about the opportunity for "cross-fertilization" of departments.

"P-12 teachers need to understand something about engineering and potential careers in order to encourage their students to consider careers in the

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Fraternity to raise money for ARC

UTM chapter of Kappa Alpha
Psi sets \$15,000 goal

Staff Reports

A UTM has set a goal to raise at least \$15,000 for the Weakley County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Kappa Alpha Psi chose the agency to receive funds derived from two special projects a Christmas gala this semester and a play to be presented throughout the county in April.

"We were looking for a local charity to work with and we thought the Red Cross had a greater need for help," said Lt. Darrell Simmons, of the Department of Public Safety and fraternity adviser. "We want to build up reserves for the Red Cross for Weakley County residents."

Celeste Taylor, American Red Cross Weakley County Chapter chairman, said, "We want the fraternity members to know how much

we appreciate them because the Red Cross depends solely on donations. Without these groups, there would be no Red Cross in Weakley County."

Taylor said funds are used for disaster relief and to meet emergency needs of Weakley County residents, such as those resulting from house fires and severe storms.

On Dec. 16, the fraternity will sponsor a black-tie gala at the National Guard Armory in Martin. The cost is \$35 a person and \$70 for couples. Hors d'oeuvres will be served throughout the evening along with beverages. A variety of music will be offered, including country, soul, rock, easy listening and karaoke.

All proceeds and donations go to the local Red Cross chapter. Checks may be made to the Weakley County chapter of the American Red Cross.



University Relations

Fraternity members and others pictured at the fund kickoff are, from left, front row, Louis Ragsdale, coordinator of Greek Life and Student Organizations; Lance Amos, Abner Smith, Cindy Young, local Red Cross chapter manager, and Celeste Taylor, local Red Cross chapter chairman, and Cori Hill; back row, Lyndele McCullough, Darrell Simmons, fraternity adviser; and Rayvon Sims.

Our View

Editorial: Registration
a pain for students

Moving a step closer to graduation is on the minds of many students this week, as registration for the spring semester opens.

The registration process isn't for the faint of heart. A simple math error (or forgetting a math class) can delay an exit from UTM for several semesters, possibly costing thousands of dollars.

It is very evident that the creator of the CAPP program, UTM's attempt at aiding students in getting the necessary credit hours, spent more time focusing on the intricate details of graduation requirements rather than usability for the end-user.

The application should answer the very basic questions of what do you have left to take, and what have you already completed? In its current state, you almost need a class in CAPP just to be able to read it. We wonder if that would fulfill an upper-division elective credit.

Advisers complain that credit hours are not shown

in the right categories, causing errors during advising. Students have difficulty finding the total number of hours earned to determine their classification – perhaps the point size could be larger.

We propose a complete overhaul of the system. Freshmen should have their advisers fill out a Web form of a graduation plan, with presets selected by the chosen major and minor.

As credit hours are earned, progress is shown toward graduation based on the outlined plan.

If the student changes the major, the new adviser prepares an amended form of the plan.

Throughout the processes, the student should see a status check as to whether the graduation plan is valid. When registration time comes along, the student would be presented with a list of needed classes for that semester, with the option of "auto-registering."

At a minimum, please ditch the kitten with the baseball cap.

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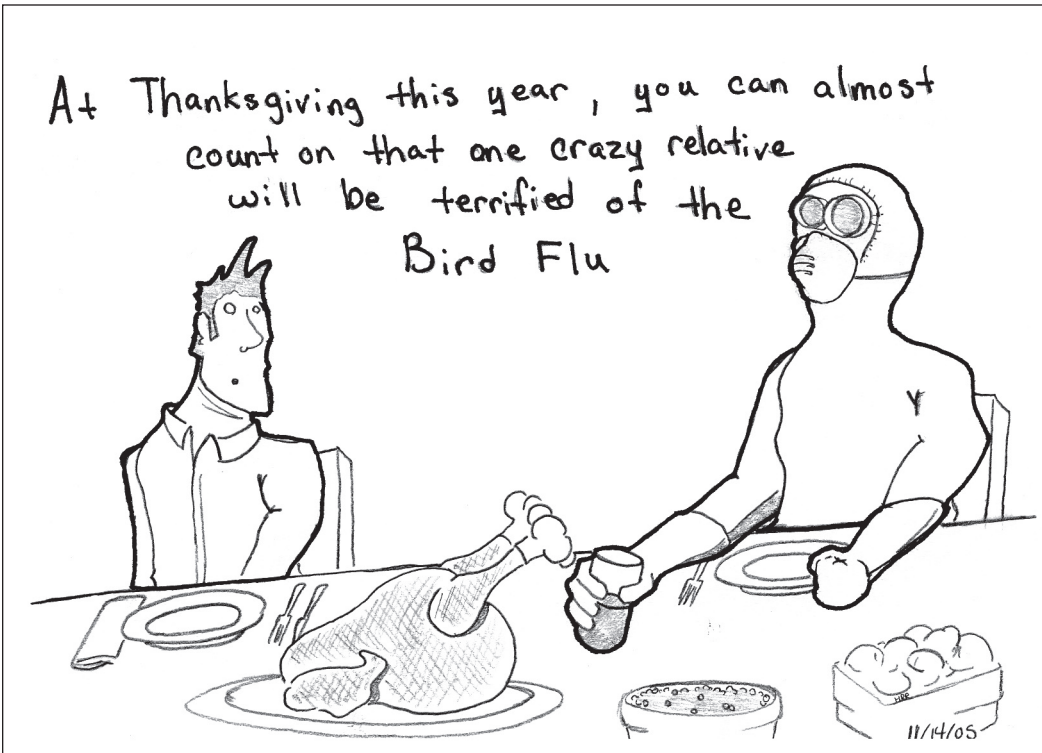
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Letters to the Editor

Dangerous crosswalks
more important than new
recreation center

The crosswalks on campus have to be the most dangerous thing the students at UTM need to be worrying about besides having to wait for a treadmill in the fitness center. Why can't the campus construct some safer alternatives to the present situation? How many of us have nearly been hit by a car or completely ignored by other drivers while were trying to get to and from class? There are three main crosswalks on University Street alone that are only monitored by the campus police at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. So that leaves 9 hours everyday for some sort of accident to happen, and believe me, it will happen sooner or later if we don't do something about these unsafe crosswalks. Please urge your SGA senators to act on this request immediately before the campus de-

cides to spend another few million dollars to appease the participants and organizers of Rope Pull to build their own facility because their space at Pacer Pond has been taken over for the construction of the new Student Recreation Facility.

Courtney Sowell
Communications
Martin

Oregon takes liberal step

In response to the article about Oregon removing restrictions on "live sex shows" and the like, I would like to point out that this is hardly the end of society as a whole. Surely the author realizes that there are still going to be restrictions upon such establishments.

I am sure that the establishments cannot be within a certain distance from churches, schools, and the like. That not just "anyone

can obtain a license, open a business, and hire people to have sex on stage." It is a bit closed-minded and more than a little ridiculous to assume that now these restrictions have been removed, people will wander down the street engaging in sexual acts.

Oregon's Supreme Court has hardly lost their minds so much as taken a liberal step, whether that is for better or for worse. Not only that, but because Oregon does it, does not mean that every state will soon participate.

Oregon is also considering allowing assisted suicide, and I don't see Tennessee jumping on that bandwagon any time soon. I think it is safe to assume that, like with Las Vegas, what happens in Oregon, stays in Oregon.

Kim Gibson
English
Fayetteville

The fans who sit together, win together

UTM athletics is an important part of UTM. Many promotions have been made to encourage attendance at athletic events. These include: throwing ice cream into the stands and competitions for prizes between games. Raffles, concessions, and competitions take place at nearly every sporting event at UTM yet many seats stay empty.

I would like to suggest a change that could help attendance, crowd participation and enthusiasm at games. A Student Section. Sounds ridiculous and unnecessary but I believe that this change could make a huge difference.

I am a volleyball player at UTM so I will use volleyball matches as an example. When I scan the crowd, I see segregated groups rather than one cheering



Rebecca
Palmer
Guest
Columnist

section. The football team tends to sit by themselves on the opponent's side. The fraternities sit alone in one corner, while the basketball team sits in the opposite corner. There are the soccer, softball and baseball teams that take up the majority of "The Cage." Finally the parents, faculty and community members as well as the opposing team's fans sit together.

The seating at the volleyball matches mirrors the trend at every sporting event: everyone sits separately. We are the "student body" not the "student groups." We should sit and

cheer together.

Some of you think that sitting together is not a big deal and won't make a difference. I will use another example from my experience. I was at one of our men's basketball games. Once again, there was no unified section to sit, so I sat by some friends and former professor of mine and some little kids. When the cheerleaders came out with the usual, "Whoever is the loudest will get this t-shirt," I was quiet. I was not about to jump and get loud when I was close to the kids and a teacher. I looked around and hardly anyone would either. No one was able to get excited.

I also noticed that a constant stream of people came and went from the game. If the students sat together and enjoyed themselves,

people would be less likely to leave in the middle of the game.

I am suggesting that each arena should have a marked student section. Then ALL the students could get wild and enthusiastic. Also, the cheerleaders would have an audience to get pumped up and involved. There could also be specific competitions within the student section to encourage involvement.

More involvement is what we want. Better crowds make teams better and the better we play, the more money the school makes. So, why don't we make a change to help out UTM? Let's make a student section. We're more likely to get rowdy if we weren't next to our teacher or the lady from church.



Elaine
Wilson
Staff
Columnist

Use common
sense to stay
unharmed

When I read a newspaper or watch television, there's always another story about someone missing.

A college campus does not guarantee safety. Recent stories force us to face the possibility that it can happen to us.

We all feel invincible when we're young. We think that we can take care of ourselves. We think that things happen to other people, but there's always someone stronger or smarter.

We have been very lucky at UTM. Being a small university has its advantages. Everyone is close and we look out for one another. But safe campus or not, there's no excuse not to practice common sense. If something doesn't feel right, then it isn't.

If you feel invincible, think about the people in your life that you care about. Now picture them gone, because they feel invincible, too. No more phone calls from them. How does that make you feel?

The impact of a missing person puts a strain on family and friends. It's something that nobody should ever have to live through.

Most of us will live to be old and have many stories. The story we don't want is the one when someone we cared about disappeared and we never got to say goodbye.

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'The Meeting' sets up hypothetical King, Malcolm X rendezvous

Kenetra Robertson
Staff Writer

UTM kicked off its second annual Diversity Week with a play that had a huge impact not only on the African-American community, but on people of all ethnicities.

The hypothetical meeting between Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X staged during "The Meeting," a play that presents such a meeting. In "The Meeting," the two mens' encounter becomes a historic moment that changed the way the two men felt about each other and their views on society. Malcolm X and King were gunned down just three years apart.

Director of Multicultural

Affairs, Teresa Woody, along with SGA president, James Orr opened the night by thanking everyone for coming out and by emphasizing how important diversity is on campus.

The play opened with Malcolm X having a conversation with his bodyguard. The bodyguard felt a little uneasy about Dr. King coming for this highly anticipated visit. In between talking to his bodyguard, Malcolm calls his wife and she tells him that their house had been bombed earlier that morning. Soon after that Dr. King arrives and Malcolm's bodyguard does not exactly welcome him with open arms. Malcolm and Dr. King begin to get down to the business of reforming American soci-

ety and eradicating what they saw was blatant injustice against ethnic minorities in the 1960s.

Both men stuck to their guns about their beliefs and the Civil Rights Movement. At first their conversation was very civil and cordial, but soon tempers began to flare.

The two men even arm-wrestled each other to see who indeed was the strongest. The first time Malcolm won, the second Dr. King won, and the last time they called a truce.

Just as Dr. King was leaving he presented a gift to Malcolm. Inside of a brown paper bag was a baby doll from King's daughter. King's daughter saw that Malcolm's house had been bombed and she wanted

Diversity Rally canceled for 'lack of interest'

Last Wednesday evening's Diversity Rally at 7 p.m. in the Student Life Center was canceled due to "lack of interest," according to SGA Sen. Keely Gaylord.

Green, who heads SGA's Multicultural Affairs Committee, said, "We had two (student organizations) contact us out of everyone on campus." The Diversity Rally was intended to allow student organizations to promote themselves in the light of diversity.

Diversity Week was passed into SGA legislation last year to take place in the

second week of every November.

Last year's Diversity Week included the "Writing on the Wall Project" between Boling University Center and Paul Meek Library. During that week, students participated in destroying a wall covered with racial slurs and the like. That event will be recreated once every four years to ensure every student has opportunity to be a part of that event, according to Gaylord.

- Allie Thomas and Ashley Hooper

to give Malcolm's daughter something to play with. The two men then stepped out onto the terrace and decided to agree to disagree. The play ended with Dr. King leaving and Malcolm following in behind him. After the two men left, Malcolm's bodyguard called someone

and informed them to do whatever they had to do.

The audience gave the actors a thunderous standing ovation after the play ended.

"The Meeting" was staged by the Pin Points Theatre Company, and was written by Jeff Stetson.

The play won the Louis B. Mayer Award and eight theater awards from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

A question-and-answer session was held after the performance.

SAACS' Science Bowl brings high schools to UTM



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White Station team members Catharina Grubaugh, Linda Li, Abhijith Eswarappa and Anand Parikshak discuss a question during the championship competition against Waverly. White Station won Saturday's competition.

Eight schools spar on science, White Station defends title

Rachel Hatchett
Staff Writer

Senior Jith Eswarappa's fast finger helped his high school, White Station High School, of Memphis, win the 26th annual Science Bowl Saturday afternoon at UTM.

White Station was the bowl's winner last year also.

Eight West Tennessee high schools participated in the Science Bowl, sponsored by UTM's chapter of the Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society.

Houston, Madison Academic, Waverly Central and Bartlett played their first rounds in the UC ballroom. Champion White Station, Hutchinson, University School of Jackson and Germantown competed in their first rounds in a meeting room.

White Station won the first round against Hutchinson,

while Germantown fought to the final minutes to advance against USJ.

Houston and Waverly Central won against Madison Academic and Bartlett, UTM Biology major Kendra Salter said. The four high schools that advanced to the semifinals were Germantown, Houston, Waverly Central and White Station. After intermission, the semifinals began in the ballroom.

The four teams were tested in their knowledge about chemistry, physics and biology. Waverly Central and White Station beat Houston and Germantown. Catharina Grubaugh and Linda Li of White Station began to develop uneasy nerves before the final game began.

After three rounds of scientific questions, Eswarappa, Li, Grubaugh and Anand Parikshak became the champions and

received the 2005 Science Bowl trophy. The team averaged 140 points throughout the three rounds.

"They did really well," said White Station teacher Paul Prather, who has attended all 26 Science Bowls.

"He has been to this Science Bowl for 26 years with three different schools," said Dr. S.K. Airee, UTM professor of Chemistry and faculty adviser for SAACS. Returnees of last year's bowl, Eswarappa and Parikshak were very excited about the win.

"This is my senior year and I am excited that the school won," Eswarappa said.

Earlier Saturday morning, three additional schools, Gleason, Creekwood and Union City, took part in the testing of scientific knowledge. David Crowell from White Station received won the biology test, Eugene Ng from Bartlett won chemistry, and Catharina Grubaugh of White Station, won the general science

competition.

"The Science Bowl included 11 high schools and 128 students participated," Airee said.

Airee, who has taught at UTM for 40 years, was assisted at the Bowl by members of UTM SAACS.

"Students can be smart, but it's about the game. To win, you have to know how to play the game."

Airee said he was encouraged by the turnout, and particularly that some schools were performing better.

Airee cited Waverly as an example.

"They won almost every year the first few years we had the Science Bowl, but then they faded away," Airee said.

Waverly resurged to pick up the second place trophy this year.

The bowl functions to increase awareness for the sciences and foster greater collegiate preparedness in science for high school students in the area. The game emphasizes quick recall of science facts.

Room named for longtime UTM, honors supporters



UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

UT President Emeritus Joe Johnson, Chancellor Nick Dunagan, C.E. "Bub" Cole, Mary Cole and Houston Gordon pose for the unveiling of a plaque to be placed on the wall outside the recently renamed C.E. and Mary Cole Honors Study.

Staff Reports

UTM recently announced that the Honors Seminar Room in the Holland McCombs Center would be named after C.E. "Bub" and Mary Cole.

The announcement, made Nov. 5, recognizes the Drummonds, Tenn. couple for their service and support of the university.

Cole is a former member of the UT Development Council and a present member of the UT Martin Development Committee.

The Coles said education combats many problems in

our communities, and they also said that society should take more interest in investing in young people so that they can "take up where we leave off."

The Coles endowed the first University Scholars scholarship in 1991 because of the academic caliber of the students in the program. Their investment was later expanded to the Cole University Scholars Endowment, which now provides five full University Scholars scholarships at \$5,000 each to five students annually.

Man at large after nearly hitting three policemen

Jay Baker

Entertainment Writer

Jeremy Snider, 28, almost ran over three Martin police officers last Tuesday as they attempted to apprehend him on felony theft warrants.

Snider put his car in reverse and backed out toward the officers, veered into a neighbor's carport and then continued in reverse to strike two Martin Police Department Cruisers, according to Martin Police Department Captain Scott Robbins.

Snider was driving a green 1993 Pontiac Grand Prix with a Tennessee license plate GJT947.

The vehicle has damage on both quarter panels and the passenger window is broken. Snider is 6-foot-3-inches, 175 pounds and has black hair and green eyes. He is considered armed and dangerous. If you see Snider or the vehicle, contact MPD immediately at 587-5355.



Snider

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Campus interview

Computer Services, Inc. will be holding interviews for the position of system programmer today. Computer Science, OIS and MIS majors are encouraged to interview. The opening is in Paducah, Ky., and knowledge of Cobol is required. For more information, contact Employment Information Services in UC 215.

Open Forum Bible Study

This week, the Bible forum will discuss the mind and whether or not a sound mind is relevant today or a remnant of the past. The forum meets at 7 p.m. on Thursdays in UC 209. This semester's theme is "The Mind, the Will, the Heart."

ChiO Pig Out

Chi Omega will be holding their 15th annual Pig Out Barbecue from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Student Life Center. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$5 or \$6 at the door. The event is co-sponsored by the Weakley County UTM Alumni Chapter.

FMA Fall Coat Drive

The Fashion Merchandising Association is holding its coat drive. Bring your old coats to boxes in dorms or Gooch 343. FMA will be collecting today.

Wednesday Forum

The Wednesday Forum will be discussing "Home for the Holidays Help" at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday in the Skyhawk Cafeteria. The forum is open to all students.

Folk dulcimer concert

There will be a concert featuring dulcimers as well as discussion on the history of dulcimer music from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday in UC 206.

Turkey Shoot

The annual Turkey Shoot will take place from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today until Thursday at the UTM Rifle Range in the ROTC Building. Targets cost \$1 each. You will have the chance of winning a pizza or a turkey.

Foreign Film Series

The next movie in the Foreign Film Series, *Bandits*, will be shown at 7 p.m. Friday in Watkins Auditorium.

NPHC Lip Sync

The NPHC Lip Sync will be held at 7 p.m. Friday in the Duncan Ballroom, on the second floor of the UC.

Grad school workshop

The annual graduate school workshop will take place at 9 a.m. this Saturday at the Holland McCombs Honors Center. The workshop will feature tips to make your application stand out, write strong admission essays and avoid mistakes. At the workshop, students will also be able to take official, full-length versions of tests such as the GRE, MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, PCAT, OAT or the nursing test. Breakfast will be available, and the cost is \$5. The workshop is sponsored by the University Scholars Organization.

Sigma Tau Delta holds poetry reading

Jay Baker
Entertainment Writer

Nearly 30 students showed up to a poetry and short story reading in the Writing Center, put on by UTM's Omega Theta Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta International English Honors Society.

The reading began with Anna Clark, UTM Faculty, who read Ishmael Reed's "Beware: Do Not Read This Poem." Other notable readings were an excerpt from Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* and as could be expected at such an event, Edgar Allen Poe's "The Raven."

Many students chose to read stories that scared them as youth, such as Christian Ashlar, president of Sigma Tau Delta. Also, stories were read from the

popular children's books *Scary Stories to Read in the Dark* and *More Scary Stories to Read in the Dark*.

"Everyone wants to be scared, especially this time of year. There's something about scary stories that speaks to everyone, it's pretty universal. These stories really have a lasting quality," said Ashlar.

"This is the first time we've done a reading for Halloween, but we hope to do it every year," said Ashlar.

Sigma Tau Delta began at UTM in 2004 and currently has eleven members. It is primarily for junior and senior English students with at least a B average in English.

Nationally, Sigma Tau Delta has over 600 chapters with approximately 7,000

members annually, according to the Sigma Tau Delta Web site.

Sigma Tau Delta functions to promote English language and literature, as well as confer distinction on students' accomplishments. Sigma Tau Delta also recognizes the accomplishments of professional writers who have contributed to the fields of language and literature.

If you are interested in joining Sigma Tau Delta, contact the vice-president Jennifer Fruitt at kinopela@yahoo.com or Secretary Ashley Ragon at ashragon84@yahoo.com.

Alison Caldwell is the UTM chapter's faculty adviser, and she says she looks forward to students getting involved in the honors society.

Habitat to auction shed in Quad for funds

Jay Baker
Entertainment Writer

If you have walked through the quad lately, then you have probably noticed the 8-foot-by-8-foot shed placed in the middle of it.

The UTM chapter of

Habitat for Humanity is auctioning the shed to the highest bidder this week. The winner will be declared at halftime during the Murray State football game on Nov. 17, when the shed will be moved from the quad to the stadium.

Habitat for Humanity

exists to help enable families to build their own homes at discounted rates.

The minimum bid is \$400.

If interested in bidding or helping Habitat, call John Schommer at 881-7360 or e-mail him at jschomme@utm.edu.

McPherson: Continued from Cover

people's lives. The continuing relevance of those issues, I think, is one reason for the continuing fascination with the Civil War."

Contrary to some scholars' belief, McPherson holds that soldiers on both sides of the conflict maintained strong allegiance to the causes for which they fought. McPherson said that religious belief often had an important role in motivating soldiers.

McPherson said the soldiers' ideals were similar to

those of the United States' founding fathers, such as liberty, freedom, justice and patriotism.

He is most known for his uncanny ability to take the Civil War from academia and place it back into the realm of the public.

In writing his award-winning books, McPherson drew on more than 25,000 letters and 250 journals from Civil War soldiers.

McPherson was the 2003 president of the American Historical Association.

In addition to *Battle Cry of Freedom: the Civil War Era*, Lincoln also penned *For Cause and Comrades: Why Men Fought in the Civil War*. His book, *Crossroads of Freedom: Antietam*, was a New York Times best-seller.

McPherson appeared at UTM as part of the Academic Speaker Series, which is sponsored by Honors Programs, the Vertical Immersion Program and the Department of History and Philosophy.

Grant: Continued from Cover

field. Elementary and middle school teachers must be able to understand the process of teaching math so that they can help their students develop an appreciation for mathematics and why it is so important to think mathematically. This is an opportunity to build professional development for middle school teachers that can have a long-term impact by giving them the knowledge, skills and

resources to deliver high-quality instruction to their students," said Hall.

Three other public schools in Tennessee received funding for the project from the Tennessee State Department of Education.

Union City and Humboldt City Schools have 18 percent and 21 percent, respectively, of their students scoring below proficiency in math on the Gateway standardized test, com-

pared to the state average of 17 percent, according to the Tennessee Department of Education Web site. While Lexington City, Dyersburg City and Hardin County Schools have 11 percent, 14 percent and 15 percent, respectively, of their students scoring below proficiency, according to the Tennessee Department of Education Web site.

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8:06 a.m. Monday University St. Kristal D. Lee was issued a citation for crosswalk violation. (City Court)	7:53 a.m. Tuesday University St. Bart D. Overall was issued a citation for crosswalk violation. (City Court)	9:57 a.m. Wednesday Humanities Allyson Z. Truly was issued a misdemeanor citation for simple assault. (General Sessions Court)
10:26 a.m. Monday Farm Road Delina J. McDaniel was issued a citation for seat belt violation. (City Court)	8:15 a.m. Tuesday Lovelace St. Dolan D. Murphy was issued a citation for crosswalk violation. (City Court)	10:00 p.m. Wednesday Hurt St. Joshua D. McCoy was issued a citation for stop sign violation. (City Court)
10:58 a.m. Monday Farm Road Casey W. Estill was issued a citation for seat belt violation. (City Court)	9:41 a.m. Tuesday Farm Road Samantha H. Bumpus was issued a citation for seat belt violation. (City Court)	2:28 a.m. Thursday McCord Hall Report of a subject causing a disturbance at the front desk. Vincent A. Liberty was contacted and referred to Student Affairs.
11:09 a.m. Monday University St. Tressa M. Barnett was issued a citation for seat belt violation. (City Court)	12:48 p.m. Tuesday Fulton St. Assisted Martin Police Department with a hit and run traffic accident. (Report on file)	3:45 p.m. Thursday Lovelace St. Ginger F. Burch was issued a citation for avoiding a traffic control device. (City Court)
11:18 a.m. Monday Gooch Hall University golf cart was damaged when it hit the brick wall south of the building. (Report on file)	1:13 p.m. Tuesday Library There was a report of a subject acting suspiciously in and around the building. The subject was	8:55 a.m. Friday University Courts Wesley A. Morton was arrested for violation of the Sexual Offender Residential Restrictions Law. (General Sessions Court)

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Johnson is back and ready to rap

Rachel Rogers
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Marcus Johnson has proven that even a hurricane can't keep a good musician down.

"It seems like everything that can go wrong will go wrong," Johnson, a senior Communications major, admits. "The CD was scheduled to be out in late September, but due to the unforeseen hurricane, the project was put on hold because the duplication company was based out of Louisiana. We were given the choice to get a refund and use another company, but we

chose to stick with this company to help them get back on their feet."

This CD differs from his earlier projects in that this is a remix CD instead of one of his own music.

"This gives me a chance to showcase my DJ talents and not just my rapping and beat-making skills. This CD also includes some of the hottest music out right now."

The new CD, *Street Hits Volume 1*, features songs by rappers such as Ludacris and Field Mob, Master P, Juvenile and Paul Wall to name a few.

"Since the name of the CD was *Street Hits*, I tried to choose songs that were popular

and would soon be popular."

Despite having the odds stacked against him, Johnson is full of hope for the project. "For one thing, I wanted to spread the word that there was a new DJ in town. I also wanted to introduce the public to the brand of music that my label and its affiliates make, and to promote the label's premier solo artist, Indawin."

Sound interested? You can check out Indawin on *Street Hits Volume 1*, taking his place with some of the biggest names in the rap world. You can also check out his promotional CD titled *Blackhaven USA*, coming soon.

"We're trying to end this year with a bang," said Johnson. Besides Indawin's CD, Johnson himself has a new CD due out in the spring, along with a song by Chell, another artist on the Majestic Minds label, as well as *Street Hits Volume II*.

"My ultimate goal is to make quality music that everyone can feel. Share my experience with the world and use my God-given talents to support my family."

So keep your eyes open for the next big thing to come out of Martin. Or you can take some advice from Johnson himself.

"Just keep your ears to the street."

Once, twice, three times the art

Arthaniel Bailey
Staff Writer

Another senior exhibit has blown students and faculty away!

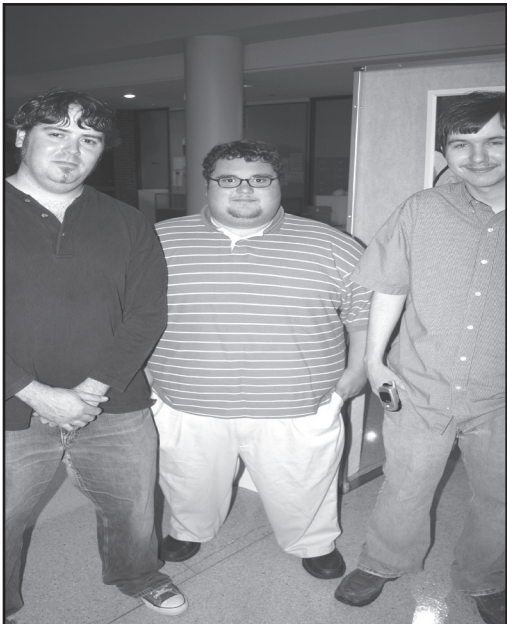
Michael Hester, Brett Skeleton, and Josh Johnson have all put their artwork together and displayed a wonderful art show. Michael Hester and Brett Skelton are both graphic design majors. Hester hails from Sharon, Tenn. while Skelton is from Linden, Tenn.

Hester has always been interested in advertising and commercials so he felt that graphic design was the way to get into that profession and still display his art skills. "My cousin is was really familiar with Photoshop and he was the one who really turned me on to graphic design." Hester said.

Now that may be the case for Hester, but Skelton had a different background. Skelton has been into art for eight years. He says that his high school teacher, Patricia Qualls was the one who motivated him to reach his dream of becoming an artist, and by him doing so he has created works that have actually been sold. He has sold the original of one of his pieces on display entitled "Zapp".

The third piece of the puzzle is Josh Johnson. Unlike Hester and Skelton, Johnson is an art studio major from Newbern, Tenn.

Johnson wanted to be an archeologist all his life. "I always found myself drawing in class whenever I was bored and I finally realized hey, why don't I do something that I really love instead of having it just as a hobby" Johnson stated. He says that family, friends, and UTM's faculty encouraged



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Seniors Michael Hester, Brett Skelton and Josh Johnson opened up their senior exhibit to the public on Tuesday, Nov. 8

him to pursue his goal.

All of the artists have big plans after graduating. Hester plans on moving to Nashville and designing record labels and CD covers for local bands. Skelton wants to continue his education at Ole Miss but at the same he will be working for their graphic design department. Johnson plans on starting his own art store here in Martin and eventually teach art classes.



MEGHAN GREEN/ The Pacer

The cast of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* enchants the audience with their rendition of Shakespeare's classic play

Shakespeare is brought to life in *Midsummer Night's Dream*

Kenetra Robertson
Staff Writer

The Department of Visual and Theatre Arts presented William Shakespeare's play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, last week in the Harriet Fulton Theatre located in the Fine Arts Building.

The theater was packed last Saturday night as the lights dimmed and the actors took their marks. Members of the audience sat with high anticipation as they anxiously waited to see if the actors would give this Shakespearean play the justice that it deserved.

The set was beautifully designed to depict an enchanted forest in Athens. Although the set was simple it was perfectly designed because it allowed the imaginations of audience members to take flight. It really did make you feel as if you were in some sort of

enchanted place. When the actors came out I thought that their costumes looked great and that the costumes were an excellent replica of what people of their character would wear during that time. As the play began I knew that this would most definitely be an enjoyable experience.

The play was basically about four lovers who got caught up in the meddling of two mischievous fairies. Each actor portrayed his or her role perfectly.

The audience really seemed to enjoy the actor's performances especially when the characters were fighting.

The play had plenty of comedy as well as drama. Each scene flowed together wonderfully and you could hear each character clearly. The actors did not wear any microphones and I could hear every word that was

said, so I was truly impressed.

The meddling fairy did eventually make all things right again and the four lovers were put to sleep so that they could awaken to lovers' bliss. I was so amazed in the body language of each character. They all handled themselves very well.

Danika Parris, a junior Communications major from Memphis said, "I went in to the theatre with a 'I can't wait until this is over attitude', but I was completely amazed with the costumes, set and the overall performance".

"At first I did think that the show was going to be crapppy, but I loved every minute of it," said Nicole Dams, a sophomore undecided major from Lexington.

For more information on any upcoming performances at the Harriet Fulton Theatre call 881-74

Who said anything about country music

Knoxville based group proves that there's more to Tennessee than just country music

Rachel Rogers
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Who ever said Tennessee was the home of country music?

This statement has been broken time and time again when rock acts have been emerging from the 'home of country music', such as Fuel, Sevendust and Saliva. And now, another name has been added to that list.

10 Years is made up of five boys that hail from Knoxville--Jesse Hasek on vocals, Brian Vodinh on drums, Ryan "Tater" Johnson and Matt Wantland on guitars, and Lewis Cosby on bass.

Formed three years ago, 10 Years released an independent record titled *Killing All that Holds You*. Earlier this year, the band signed with Republic/Universal Records, went to work with producer Josh Abraham, known for his work with Staind and Velvet Revolver, and soon released their debut album *The Autumn Effect*.

"Humanity is slowly shutting down," says frontman Hasek. "Music is supposed to be about intensity and feeling, but there's no thinking behind the music that's out there today. We want people to think, to feel emotions again."

10 Years has evolved from a wake of high school metal bands, to the more melodic,



heavy fusion that appears on *The Autumn Effect*. "Less is more," is the way they describe their sound, and nowhere is that more apparent than their hit 'Wasteland', which peaked at number five on the Billboard Charts.

The *Autumn Effect* resonates as much lyrically as it does musically. "Prey", for instance, was inspired by the band's move to Los Angeles to record their debut album, and Hasek's observation that people in L.A. drive cars worth more than some of their houses in Tennessee. "The Recipe" is about how casual consumption of lust with random strangers devalues and destroys the ability to love.

"Whether we're talking about love, substance abuse, temptation, or whatever, all the songs are about life, and the emotions that we all go through," says Hasek. "Life is an organic process of growth and decay, and it is unavoidable in nature."

10 Years has opened for groups like Velvet Revolver and Static-X, and show no signs of slowing down. With 'Wasteland' still a big hit on the radio, and they just wrapped up a tour with Disturbed, and are about to start on a new one with Mudvayne and fellow Tennesseans Sevendust.

You can pick up your copy of *The Autumn Effect* in stores now, and find out more info about the Tennessee boys at www.10yearsmusic.com.

So check them out now, and the next time someone calls Tennessee the home of country, remind them that you can't keep a good rock-n-roll boy down.

Arthaniel Bailey
Staff Writer

This past Saturday, Nov. 12, 2005 the UTM students for The American Red Cross hosted a concert featuring Kenny Presley to raise money.

The concert was held in the Watkins Auditorium in the Boling University Center. The concert was dazzling as different performers opened up for Presley and displayed their talent.

Jonathan McGrew performed "Fireman" which got the crowd into the show with the old country western sound. Then there was Eric Cantrell, who is a part of the River Band and really got the audience involved.

As his band was setting up he went around and talked to some of the people in the audience to get a vibe of what the crowd was like. He said a couple of jokes to loosen the crowd up, then performed a song entitled "Ring of Fire". During the song he grabbed a young lady out of the audience and began to dance with her as his band kept playing. Then after that song he found out who was from where as he went into his next song entitled "Big City".

Now it was time for the King to make his appearance. Kenny Presley, an Elvis impersonator, really rocked the house. He made his way onto the stage dressed in an all black

leather suit with a guitar. Presley really looked like The King himself, from the sideburns all the way to the costume. He even had the dance moves down. Presley opened up with "Blue Suede Shoes" followed by "Teddy Graham". The audience was singing right along with Presley as if it was The King himself.

Presley dazzled the audience with his voice and energy. He really brought the house down when he performed "Heartbreak Hotel".

All the proceeds from the concert went to benefit the Red Cross.

Golf team signs Tennessee state champion, local recruits for 2006

UTM Sports Information

State golf champion Chase Grissom of Lexington signed a national letter of intent to play at the University of Tennessee at Martin for coach Jerry Carpenter.

Also signing a national letter of intent to play golf at UT Martin is Grissom's teammate from Lexington High School, Sam Hinson.

"Chase and Sam are quality young men who will fit into our program and make an immediate impact," Carpenter said.

Grissom won the Class A-AA state championship in 2005. He also led the Vince Gill Tour points leader (70.4 average). He finished second in the Vince Gill Tournament of Champions and won numerous tourna-

ments this past season.

Grissom also won the United States Junior Golf Tournament Tour Championship played at Greystone in Dickson, Tenn.

"Chase posses a solid, smooth golf swing with few flaws," Carpenter said. "He works on his game all year long. He is a self-taught golfer with a strong passion for the game."

Carpenter said Grissom is the best recruit he has signed as a head coach.

"Chase has unlimited potential and should develop into an outstanding player for the Skyhawks."

Hinson is a second-generation Skyhawk golfer. His dad played for head coach Grover Page from 1980-83.

Hinson helped lead Lexington High School to four district championships, two

regional tournaments and a state tournament title.

This past year Hinson won the prestigious Belle Meade Country Club tournament. He's played in three state tournaments and he's finished among the top 15 in all three events. He also finished among the top five in the 2005 Vince Gill Tournament of Champions.

"Sam has a solid swing and knows how to produce good scores," Carpenter said.

"The strong part of Sam's game is his solid play from tee to green. He also has excellent course demeanor."

Lexington head golf coach Danny Leasure knows Carpenter is getting two solid golfers.

"Chase and Sam are the best players I have ever coached," Leasure said.



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SKYHAWK OF THE WEEK

Senior guard Jeremy Kelly had a combined 43 points in the Skyhawks' exhibition games against Bethel and Cumberland Unversities. Kelly was the leading scorer with 23 points and five steals against Bethel.

He is currently shooting 54.3% from the field on the season and averaging 21.5 points, 5 rebounds, 7.5 assists and 3 steals per game.



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Senior guard Jeremy Kelly dribbles towards the basket during one of the Skyhawks' two exhibition games.

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Colonels march past Skyhawks in conference battle

Amy Eddings
Sports Editor

The Skyhawks traveled to Eastern Kentucky over the weekend looking to snap a OVC-road game losing streak that goes back to 1996. After the first three drives of the game, it looked as if they might.

Unfortunately, looks aren't everything and the Skyhawks dropped their fourth conference game, 31-17.

On the first series of plays cornerback Ravon Sims intercepted a pass from Colonel quarterback Josh Greco at the EKU 26-yard line.

The Skyhawks made the most of this turnover and scored on a 13-yard shotgun pass from Brady Wahlberg to running back Justin Glover.

This touchdown marked the first for the Skyhawks in the first quarters since they defeated Garder-Webb on Sept. 24, and only their third of the 2005 season.

On the Colonel's next possession, Sims intercepted yet another pass by Greco on the UTM 27-yard line. The Skyhawks couldn't increase their lead as Glover fumbled and EKU recovered the ball.

The Skyhawks retained the lead throughout the rest of the first, allowing just a

total of seven EKU offensive yards in the quarter.

On their first drive of the second, the Skyhawks put together a 12-play, 59 yard drive. Kicker Taylor Brown missed the first of his three field goal attempts, wide left from 32 yards out.

The Colonels then evened the score at 7-all on a 12-yard pass from Greco to EKU receiver Patrick Bugg.

The next drive saw Wahlberg throwing his first interception of the game. The Colonels took the lead off this possession and scored a touchdown on a 16-yard rush by running back Mark Dunn.

Skyhawk defensive end Andre Plummer blocked the kick to keep the score at 13-7 as they headed into the break.

The Skyhawks' second possession of the half found tailback Don Chapman committed the team's third turnover on a fumble recovered by Colonel free safety Carl Hayden on the EKU 10-yard line. The Colonel's were unable to capitalize on this fumble.

With a little over a minute left in the third quarter, Brown capped off a 66-yard drive with a 21-yard field goal to pull the Skyhawks to within three, 13-10.

UTM held EKU to a gain of just six yards on the next drive when linebacker Wade

Peters blocked the Colonel's punt and returned it to the EKU 21-yard line.

The Skyhawks were unable to get in the red-zone after the blocked punt and Brown missed another field goal, this one wide right from 43 yards out.

Just like after the first missed field goal, EKU took advantage of the Skyhawk error and scored on the next drive.

Colonel kicker Taylor Long added three points to the tally and gave EKU the 16-10 lead with just under 11 minutes to play.

Wahlberg threw his third and fourth interceptions of the game on the next two Skyhawk possessions. The Colonels marched the second of the two into the end zone to put them up 24-10 with 4:48 remaining in the game.

The Skyhawks took over control of the ball on their own 8-yard line and then made an impressive 92-yard drive down the field in just under a minute and a half. The drive resulted in a touchdown off a 20-yard rush by Chapman which pulled the score to 24-17.

The following EKU drive saw the Colonels taking advantage of the second UTM illegal procedure penalty of the day. Both came off an out-of-bounds kickoff



UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
Sophomore tailback Don Chapman runs through the Colonel defense during Saturday's loss to second-place OVC member Eastern Kentucky.

by Brown. EKU scored the final points of the game on a 24-yard run by Dunn to put the final score at 31-17.

The loss puts the Skyhawks at 5-5 overall with a 3-4 worksheet in the conference.

Wahlberg was 21-for-37 with three interceptions for 261 yards on the game. He also picked up 39 yards on the ground.

Chapman picked up 104 yards of offense: 83 rushing and 21 receiving with one

touchdown.

The leading receiver Saturday was Taurean Stephens with 101 yards, which puts him at third place among all UTM receivers. Behind him was Glover with 80 yards including the opening touchdown of the game. Jamal Akbar also picked up 59 yards on the afternoon.

Cornerback Jason Coleman led the defense with 11 total tackles. Behind him were linebackers Markeseo Jackson with 10, Da-

vid Gilmore with eight and rover Jack Greenwood with seven and the only Skyhawks' only sack.

UTM now looks ahead to Thursday night's season finale game against OVC rival Murray State.

MSU is currently 2-8 overall with a 0-6 conference record. The Racers are come to Martin after a 42-6 victory over Austin Peay State.

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. at Graham Stadium.

Skyhawk basketball gets underway with exhibition games

UTM Sports Information

Men vs. Bethel University

Senior Jeremy Kelly poured in 23 points to lead Tennessee-Martin to an 89-69 exhibition victory over Bethel College Monday night in the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center.

Seniors Jared Newson and Cleve Woodfork tossed in 13 points each as the Skyhawks cruised to a 50-38 lead at the intermission.

Bethel cut the Skyhawks' lead to four points, 56-52, with 11:23 to play in the game when Thomas Haynes canned a three-pointer.

Myron McCrary led Bethel with 20 points, while Haynes netted 15 points and DeCoreo Edwards canned 12 points.

The game included 57 personal fouls and three players fouled out. At the free throw line the Skyhawks hit 18 of 34 attempts, while Bethel connected on 22 of 38 attempts.

Men vs. Cumberland University

Four Skyhawks, including freshman Vashon Ingram, scored double-digits to lead the Skyhawks to an 85-68 exhibition win over visiting Cumberland University Thursday night in the Elam Center.

Senior Jared Newson knocked down 21 points, while senior Jeremy Kelly poured in 20 points to lead the Skyhawks. Cleve Woodfork scored 13 points and Ingram tossed in 10 points.

The Skyhawks trailed early in the first half by as many as nine points, 26-17, but used an 11-0 run to take a 28-26 lead when Jason Thompson scored in the paint with 4:04 to play before the break.

Cumberland tied the game at 28-all with a pair of free throws by Marqkese Crockett, but the Skyhawks closed out the half with a



Senior Jeremy Kelly (left) and junior Andreika Jackson (right) led their teams in scoring during exhibition games against Bethel and Cumberland, respectively.

12-3 run over the last four minutes of play.

The Skyhawks led by as many as 22 points in the second half and never looked back as seventh-year head coach Bret Campbell



played everyone on the team in their final exhibition game of the season.

Cumberland's Joseph Northington scored 23 points, while Chase Burnett netted 22

points.

The Skyhawks open their 2005-06 campaign Saturday, Nov. 19 when they play at No. 7 Louisville. Tipoff is set for 11:05 a.m. (CST). They then come home to face Webster University at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Women vs. Cumberland University

Andreika Jackson poured in 22 points and Deina Willingham tossed in 16 points but it wasn't enough for host Tennessee-Martin to hold off NAIA power Cumberland University in an exhibition Thursday night in the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center.

The two teams battled to a 31-31 tie at halftime, but the Skyhawks forged ahead in the second half by as many eight points with 7:10 to play in the game only to drop a 72-68 decision.

Ashley Cross, the same player who tied the game at 31-31 at halftime, knotted the game for a second time with 3:55 to play when she drained a three-pointer.

Natasha Manis hit a three with 2:46 to play and Cumberland never trailed again in the game.

Cumberland used a 17-4 run over the final seven minutes for the win. Mariel Ruis and Cross led Cumberland with 15 points each.

Senior Keva Robinson scored 10 points, all in the second half, to round out the Skyhawk double-digit scorers.

The Skyhawk women returned to action last night, hosting Lambuth University in an exhibition game.

As of press time, there was no final score.

The women will open up their regular season play against LaSalle University in the South Florida Tournament on Saturday. Their first home game is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Nov. 22 against Ky. Wesleyan.

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Volleyball says goodbye to Palmer with win over MSU

Skyhawks defeat Ohio Valley Conference rival Murray State, 3-1, in home finale

Brad Hurt
Assistant Sports Editor

Senior Rebecca Palmer hit .395 and led all players with 18 kills as the Skyhawk volleyball team honored her with a 3-1 victory over Murray State on Senior Night.

"I was excited tonight because I knew we could beat Murray, and we've been practicing to beat them," Palmer said. "We've had a great team all season; we just haven't really come together. Tonight all of our teammates had each other's back and it was a really fun game," Palmer said.

The Skyhawks overcame an early deficit in each of the first two games. The games were close throughout, but the Skyhawks were able to maintain an advantage as a result of their aggressive approach on offense. They tallied four aces in the first game, led by Shelby Knose with two.

After leading by as many as seven points, they withstood a late MSU rally to hold on for a 30-25 win. Neither team hit particularly well in the game.

The Skyhawks won de-

spite committing three service errors and hitting only .190. MSU hit a mere .105 in the game. Each team committed eight errors.

MSU led 4-2 shortly after the start of game two before Kathryn Sprague pulled the Skyhawks even with a couple of kills.

Inspired by her play, the team went on a run to surge ahead, 11-7, and forced an MSU timeout.

Following the break, the Skyhawks picked up right where they left off. An ace by Jamie Hollins made the score 15-9 in favor of UTM. The lead continued to build behind strong play around the net.

The Skyhawks claimed total control of the game, forcing another MSU timeout leading 23-15. The Racers then went on a run to make the game close.

Although their lead was dwindling, the Skyhawks were able to hold on, scoring the final two points to claim a 30-27 win. Palmer picked up five kills in the game for the Skyhawks.

MSU out hit UTM, .261 to .260.

Game three went to the Racers by a score of 30-26. The Skyhawks fell behind early in the game, struggling to win the battle at the net. MSU built momentum with the help of UTM's six errors.

Trailing 15-9, the Skyhawks mustered a brief run to force an MSU time-

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Amy Draper

out, but it did little to change the flow of the game. They put together another run near the end of the game, pulling to within two points at 26-24 on an ace by Tammy Konitzer. They then put up a valiant effort to fend off two game points trailing 29-24 before falling. The Skyhawks hit .154 in the game compared to .156 for the Racers.

The Skyhawks entered game four eager to close out the match. They claimed control by taking a 6-2 lead early with a kill by Sprague and an ace by Sarah Jett.

The lead ballooned to 12-5 before an MSU run

trimmed it to 12-9. That was just a speed bump for the Skyhawks' momentum, however. The team kept its focus and maintained the lead.

MSU again pulled to within three points later in the game before the Skyhawks pulled away. A kill by Dimphy Sasse made the score 25-20 in favor of the Skyhawks, who won the game, 30-23.

After the match, Palmer reflected on her past four years as a member of the Skyhawk volleyball team.

"I am going to miss my teammates the most. I would have liked to have been a part of another winning program but I know that they're building one now. I'm happy to be a part of it," Palmer said.

"I feel really good about this match," said Skyhawk head coach Amy Draper. "I feel like the girls are finally able to take the information we've given them on both ends of the court and really execute. We knew Murray's game plan and we had our game plan."

When asked about her senior player, Draper acknowledged the presence Palmer has had on the team this season.

"I think there will definitely be a missing link without Becca around. She has been a huge hitter for this team and we are going to miss her a lot," Draper



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Senior Rebecca Palmer goes up for the kill against the Lady Racers in her final home game as a Skyhawk.

Skyhawks look to fly over Cardinals in road trip to Louisville

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The Skyhawk men's basketball team faces a monumental challenge as it heads to Louisville to face the Cardinals for the first time ever.

The Cardinals are coached by Rick Pitino, who won two NCAA titles as head coach of the Kentucky Wildcats in the 1990s. Louisville's storied basketball program has two titles of its own, winning it all in 1980 and 1986 under legendary coach Denny Crum.

Last year, the Cardinals almost returned to the Final Four before falling to eventual national runner-up Illinois in the Elite Eight. They set a new school record, finishing the season with 33 wins.

This year, the Cardinals are moving from Conference USA, a league which they dominated with Cincinnati, to the Big East, where Connecticut, Villanova, and Syracuse will wrestle them for the national spotlight.

Senior point guard Taquan Dean is expected to shoulder the leadership responsibilities for Pitino's squad. Dean set a new single-season school record by making 122 three-point field goals last season. He

finished ninth in the NCAA in three-point accuracy, making 44.7 percent of his attempts. Dean averaged 14.4 points, 4.0 rebounds, and 2.4 assists per game last year despite playing with mononucleosis for two months.

The preseason ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll has the Cardinals ranked eighth heading into the season. They are predicted to finish third in the Big East.

There will be one major absence in the game for the Cardinals as sophomore center David Padgett, a transfer from Kansas who is serving as a co-captain, suffered a sprained knee ligament in a team scrimmage and will be out for three to four weeks. Padgett finished the scrimmage with 15 points, 14 rebounds, and 7 assists. He was the fourth-best high school player in the nation according to Insiders Hoops and was a McDonald's All-American.

Another absence in the post for the Cardinals will be sophomore forward Juan Palacios. Palacios had six double-doubles as a freshman in 2004-05, tenth-best in Conference USA. He was among the conference leaders in field goal percentage and rebounding. Rivals.com named Palacios to its Freshman All-Ameri-

ca third team. He has been sidelined since hurting his right foot in a pickup game on July 13.

Even without those two players, the Cardinals will pose a great match up problem for the Skyhawks.

The Skyhawks' frontcourt of Will Lewis, Cleve Woodfork, and Jason Thompson will have their hands full trying to contain Louisville's 7-foot freshman center Jonathan Huffman and 6-foot-10-inch sophomore center Terrance Farley, who will have to step up in place of the injured starters.

Dean will be a tough defensive assignment for Skyhawk point guard Jeremy Kelly.

The Skyhawks are coming off their second exhibition win, an 85-68 decision over Cumberland University last Thursday night.

The Cardinals struggled to beat Bellarmine University, an NCAA Division II school located in Louisville, 70-63, in their only exhibition game this season last Wednesday. The absence of their two best post players hurt the Cardinals as they were out rebounded by Bellarmine, 32-26.

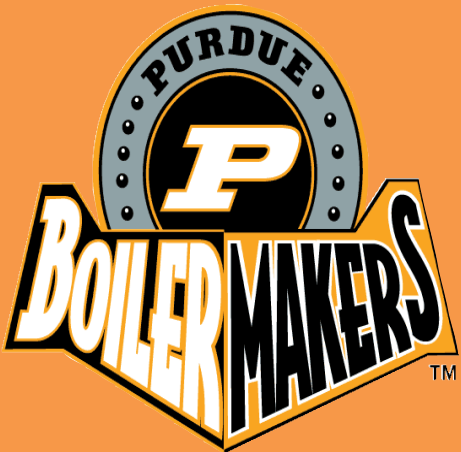
Tip-off is scheduled for 11:05 a.m. Eastern Standard Time Saturday at Louisville's Freedom Hall.



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Guard Brandon Jenkins battle's with West Virginia's Mike Gansey during the first half of the teams' meeting in the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament.

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